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SUBJ: CROP ESTIMATION SURVEY, UPPER VOLTA

FROM WARREN

1. CROP ESTIMATION SPECIALIST WARREN RECOMMENDS SUPPORT OF MINIMAL SORGHUM AND MILLET PRODUCTION SURVEY IN UPPER-VOLTA SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING CRITICAL CONDITIONS.

A. RELATIVE SAMPLING ERROR OF 15 TO 20 PERCENT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE FOR AID PURPOSES.

B. SURVEY SHOULD START NLT 15 OCTOBER. GOUV WOULD NEED NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL NLT 3 OCTOBER.

C. NECESSARY EQUIPMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE DELIVERED IN OUAGADOUGOU NLT 10 OCTOBER.

2. RECOMMENDED SURVEY WOULD INCLUDE ALL MILLET AND SORGHUM FIELDS OF TWO RANDOMLY SELECTED HOUSEHOLDS FROM EACH OF TWO RANDOMLY SELECTED VILLAGES IN EACH OF THE ELEVEN AGRICULTURAL REGIONS. FIELDS WOULD BE MEASURED AND SAMPLED FOR YIELD. SMALLER SAMPLE WOULD NOT YIELD ESTIMATES OF EVEN MODERATE RELIABILITY. LARGER SURVEY MIGHT BE BEYOND ABILITY OF UPPER VOLTAN STATISTICAL SERVICE TO SUPERVISE. THEY VERY CONCERNED ABOUT PROPER EXECUTION OF SURVEY

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AND WOULD PREFER NOT TAKE ON SURVEY WHICH TOO LARGE TO

BE PROPERLY SUPERVISED.

3. UPPER VOLTAN SURVEY PROCEDURES WERE INTRODUCED BY FAO, ARE VERY SIMILAR TO THOSE IN NIGER, AND, PROPERLY SUPERVISED, SHOULD BE ADEQUATE.

4. FINAL AGREEMENT ON SUPPORT REQUIRED BY GOUV COULD NOT BE REACHED DUE TO ABSENCE OF MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE. PROPOSE THAT STATISTICAL SERVICE OF MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE SELECT SAMPLE VILLAGES ACCORDING TO WARREN'S INSTRUCTIONS, PREPARE WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS AND SURVEY FORMS, AND SUPERVISE EXECUTION, WHICH WOULD BE CARRIED OUT BY SELECTED LOCAL AGENTS OF GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, WORKING IN TWO MAN TEAMS.

5. NECESSARY ASSISTANCE FROM USAID WOULD INCLUDE SURVEY EQUIPMENT, VEHICLE FOR SUPERVISORY TRAVEL, AND ASSISTANCE WITH TABULATION. SPECIFIC ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT NEEDED INCLUDE COMPASSES (DOLS 89 EACH), 20 METER MEASURING TAPES (DOLS 23), AND CHANTILLON SCALES HAVING AT LEAST 20KGM CAPACITY (DOLS 30). PRICES IN PARENS ARE THOSE PAID BY NIGER FOR SIMILAR EQUIPMENT IN 1972, CONVERTED FROM FRANCS CFA TO DOLLARS AT 215. MEASURING TAPES AND SCALES REPORTEDLY OBTAINABLE IN NIAMEY. COMPASSES WOULD HAVE TO COME FROM US OR FRANCE. WARREN RECOMMENDS PURCHASING 24 EACH OF COMPASSES, TAPES AND SCALES. THIS WOULD BE ONE SET PER TEAM PLUS TWO SPARES.

6. MR. GAREY OF THE UV STATISTICAL SERVICE WILL ESTIMATE SUPERVISORY TRAVEL REQUIRED AND FORWARD THROUGH AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU. SAMPLE RENTAL RATES ARE, FOR PEUGEOT R, 2200 CFA FRANCS PER DAY PLUS 40 FRANCS PER KM PLUS GAS. LANDROVER, WHICH COULD BE REQUIRED IN SOME AREAS, WOULD BE 7500 CFA FRANCS PER DAY PLUS 40 FRANCS PER KM PLUS GAS. IF MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNABLE PROVIDE DRIVER, A DRIVER WOULD COST ANOTHER 1,000 FRANCS CFA PER DAY.

7. TABULATION OF SURVEY RESULTS WOULD REQUIRE ONE WEEK TDY BY WARREN OR OTHER QUALIFIED PERSON. IF RECOMMENDED SUPPORT PACKAGE FOR NIGER IS APPROVED, TABULATION OF BOTH SURVEYS COULD BE CONCURRENT AT ABIDJAN. SURVEY RESULTS WOULD INCLUDE SAMPLING ERRORS AND WOULD BE GIVEN TO BOTH GOUV AND AID.BULLEN
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